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NEW PLAN FOR ATHLETICS.

FIVE MEN FROM EACH CLASS TO FORM ASSOCIATION.

Change Required by Inefficiency of Old Organization.

Radical changes are to be made in the conduct of athletics at the Institute. The proposed changes are a result of the stir last year over the conduct of athletics by the Advisory Council and the Coach matter. The plan is to give more power to the students and take the heavy burden of details from the Advisory Council.

George T. Glover, vice-president of the Athletic Association, is the originator of the new plan. He brought the matter forward at a meeting of the association Friday afternoon.

The reorganization scheme calls for the abolishment of general membership and provides for the election of five men from each class, the body of men to take over the functions of the old association and take on many of the duties now cared for by the Advisory Board. This body will elect managers of all 'varsity teams, deal with the various problems that come in the everyday conduct of sports and give hearings on grievances.

The old athletic association was made up of the student body in the Institute. This organization has been going about eight years. It has not proved successful for the government of athletics and for the election of managers. Previous to the present form the Athletic Association was open only to those who paid their dues. This was very unsuccessful and was found unnecessary when football was abolished.

As before, all financial management will be in the hands of the Advisory Council. No powers will be taken from the Advisory Board. This body will only be relieved of a great amount of detail work, and will only have to deal with matters put before it by the new association.

The greatest trouble with the old organization was that although every student was supposed to be a member, only a few really took an active part in the meetings. The result was that sometimes matters were not thoroughly handled and that managers were elected at packed meetings.

At the meeting Friday, after Glover laid the plan before the body, Dean Burton spoke favorably of the new organization. He had taken an active interest in athletics in his college days and knew the weaknesses in the old system. He called attention to the small number present as an indication of the inefficiency and impracticability of the old arrangement. He also pointed out that the new method would remove as far as possible intrigue and personal bias.

Dr. J. A. Rockwell, '90, an alumni member of the Advisory Council, spoke in favor of the plan for the board.

As proposed changes in the Athletic Association call for a week intervening between the meetings, the new system will not be brought to a vote until next Friday. A Committee will be appointed to go over the old constitution and make such changes as are necessary and the student body will vote on the matter.

That the new plan will be put into operation there is no doubt. The five men from each class will be selected at the coming class elections.

NEW LOCKER SYSTEM.

Charge to be Made for Lockers at the Field.

A new system has been put in force in regard to the assignment of lockers at the field. Recently the quarters have been very crowded, owing to the fact that some of the men who do not use a locker, keep one from year to year. This year it has been decided to charge fifty cents a year as rent for a locker and to collect in addition twenty-five cents as a deposit in cases where a new key is issued.

STEWARD McIVER AN OLD SEAMAN.

RUNS UNION AT SPECIAL REQUEST OF DR. PRITCHETT.

Has Served on Many Yachts and Now Does Philanthropic Work.

Every Tech man as he lunches or dines at the Tech Union often stops to wonder at the excellent quality of the food and at the high class service, but few have ever had the chance to become acquainted with the steward, Mr. W. H. McIver.

Man-of-war's-man, proprietor of restaurants in the mining camps of Colorado, steward on the yachts of millionaires, and now devoting a large part of his time to philanthropic work through the Harbor Club of the Boston Seaman's Friend Society, and as steward of the Boston Floating Hospital, Mr. McIver has had a most varied career.

His home is in Boston, and he was apprenticed to the old navy when his parents found that his inclination was for the sea. He served for three years on vessels of the old fleet and then started for the West. He conducted a restaurant at the foot of Pike's Peak, and for

W. H. McIVER.

several years guided on the peak. After spending some time at Colon, Panama, he returned to the Colorado Rockies at the time of the Cripple Creek boom, and was associated with men who afterwards made fortunes out of mines which were then mere prospects.

Before the Spanish war, he became steward of Hearst's yacht, the "Bucaneer," and afterward enlisted as steward on a monitor. Following his discharge at the close of the war, he was asked by President Pritchett to undertake the stewardship of the Union, which at that time was in a precarious financial condition. He did so and succeeded in putting the Union on a minimum of cost to the students. For years he has held this position during the winter months. Although during one summer Mr. McIver was steward of J. P. Morgan's yacht "Corsair," most of his other time has been spent in supplying crews of out-going ships with literature, and in managing the steward's department of the Boston Floating Hospital.

ROXBURY DOES NOT SHOW UP.

Sophomores Left Without Opponents.

The Roxbury High School team failed to show up for its game scheduled with the Sophomores on Saturday. In place of the regular game there was a scrub game between two incomplete teams made up of Sophomores. Several new men were tried in the different positions, and altogether a good showing was made, although more men are needed.

Eleven men of the Freshmen squad were out at the Field, but merely went through signal practice. Owing to the scarcity of men there was no scrimmage.

FRESHMEN MUST BE EXAMINED.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REQUIRED.

Need of Physical Training Required by the Institute.

An important change has been made in the Department of Physical Training in requiring every first year student to take a physical examination. The object of the Institute in requiring this is to give every man an idea of his own physical condition. Those who are markedly deficient will be so notified and will be advised for their own welfare to take some form of exercise. There will be nothing compulsory in this action, it merely being desired to help the men to help themselves.

Such a step shows that the Institute recognizes the need of physical training and wishes to bring this need as forcibly to the attention of the students. President Noyes voiced this sentiment in his talk to the entering class when he spoke as follows, "I would first emphasize the vital importance of attending to the maintenance of your health in every way—by sleeping enough, by having your meals regularly, and by taking the proper amount of exercise."

The examination, which is a very thorough one, will consist of the following tests and measurements:—weight, height, girth of head, neck, chest, normal and inflated, ninth rib, normal and inflated, waist, hips, thighs, calves, upper arms and fore arms; depth of chest, girth of abdomen, breadth of shoulder, stretch of arms, strentgh and capacity of lungs, strength of back, legs, upper arms and fore arms.

The examinations, which will be made by the gymnasium instructor, Mr. Winfield Towne, will be held at the gymnasium. The announcement of the appointments for these examinations will be made in the Freshman freehand drawing sections.

FIRST HARE AND HOUNDS RUN.

Nearly Forty Men Enjoy Chase at West Newton.

Thirty-six men ran on the Hare and Hounds chase, held from the Allen School at West Newton, Saturday. After an easy run of four miles, the men enjoyed a plunge in the swimming tank. W. Harrington '10 and R. M. Spencer '11 laid a fine trail. R. F. Munoz and W. S. Davis found the bags. The first four of the men to race the last mile were H. H. Howland, W. Mac Creadie, C. J. Batchelder '08, and Hulsizer '09.

The run next week will be from the Hyde Park Y. M. C. A., where there is also a swimming tank.

Coach Kanaly wants to meet all candidates for the Cross Country Team at the Field, Monday, by 4.30. Those who have recitations till 5 o'clock will report to Stephenson at the Gym., Monday, at 5.10 for a short run.

SHOOTING AT WAKEFIELD RANGE.

Rifle Club and Freshman Battalion Hold Practice Meet.

Thirty-three men reported to Major Wheeler last Saturday at Wakefield for rifle practice. The day was ideal for shooting and a few good scores were made. The following men of the Rifle Club shot at 200, 300 and 600 yards: F. M. Green '09, T. C. Merriman '09, H. R. Wilbur '10, D. P. Marvin '10, of last year's 'varsity team, and M. R. Thompson '10, G. E. Goodspeed '10, E. R. Jackson '10, F. C. Applin, '09, L. G. Glazier '11, C. D. Jacobs '11.

The men from the battalion were: H. E. Babbitt, S. H. Cornell, J. J. Devlin, S. A. Francis, R. D. Francis, J. W. Faunce, H. Firyer, E. R. Hall, R. T. Haslam, M. E. Hayman, H. P. Ireland, H. F. Lord, A. C. Mitz, R. E. Runck, J. D. McKenzie, H. S. Manley, M. Omansky, D. Lawrence, L. B. Weeks, R. S. Thurston, E. J. Whitcomb, C. R. Perry ,and C. M. Steese '08, and S. Garcia '08. The battalion shot at 200 yards only.

GREAT DEMAND FOR TECH MEN.

DR. PRITCHETT WRITES TO STUDENTS.

Says Demand is Increasing for Technical Men with Good Sense and Tact.

(By Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, President of the Carnegie Foundation.)

There was probably never a time in the history of the world when the demand for technically trained men was so great, and certainly never a time when the demand for efficient engineers in the United States was so great. This is shown by the constant requests for men for various places made to the officers of the Institute of Technology.

These requests come for men in almost all positions, including not only technical positions—such as civil engineers, mechanical engineers, electrical engineers and mining engineers,—but also for men who have had engineering training and who are asked to take charge of important plants or factories.

It has been noticeable that the demand for these larger places has increased in the last five years. Applications come not frequently for men at a salary of from four to six thousand dollars a year to manage some power plant or manufacturing establishment or electric railway, with the statement that if the men prove efficient and satisfactory, the salary will be correspondingly greater.

There is, in fact, everywhere an increasing demand for the technically trained men who combines with his technical training what is ordinarily called "executive ability," which means nothing more than a combination of good sense and tact.

In most institutions a definite machinery has been devised for dealing with such applications, and in some of the larger universities very effective employment bureaus are maintained. Under this system graduates of the institution keep the bureau informed of the sort of places which they seek and employers of all sorts writing to the institution are put in touch with such men.

Such a bureau may readily be made too prominent a part of the work of an institution, for, while a college should seek to afford every opportunity possible to its own graduates for employment, its first duty is to recommend the best man possible for a place which may be assigned.

TENNIS STARTS THURSDAY.

Chances for New Men Are Good.

Tennis starts again in full swing with the opening of the annual fall tennis tournament, which begins this Thursday. This tournament is the only opportunity that men have to show up before the start of the regular tennis season in the spring. Although not absolutely final, the outcome of this tournament goes far toward deciding the makeup of the team that represents Tech later in the year. Last year there were 50 men in the singles and 15 teams in the doubles.

The entry fee will be $1 per man in the singles, and $1.50 per team in the doubles. Cups are offered for the winners in both the singles and doubles and a cup is also offered for the runner-up in the former.

Two members of last year's team, Coffin and Nicholl, have not returned to the Institue. J. I. B Larned, the New England intercollegiate champion in both singles and doubles, and Paul R. Fanning, '08, who put up a strong game for Tech last year, are back again and will play this coming season.

At present Tech holds first positon in the New England Tennis League, having won both singles and doubles at the meeting of the association last spring.

Entries for the fall tournament can be left before five o'clock. Wednesday for the manager of the Tennis Team at the Cage. Drawings will be posted the next morning.

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CHANGES PROPOSED.

Changes which will radically affect the operation of athletics at the Institute were proposed at the meeting of the Athletic Association last Friday. For a long time it had been evident that some change in the organization had become necessary. Interest in the athletic meetings had dwindled to such an extent and attendance had so decreased that the transaction of business was almost a farce. A small crowd of fellows coming to any meeting could secure the passage of any motion or the election of any man they pleased. Almost every meeting of the association was "packed" for one object or another. Needless to say this was a wrong state of affairs and did not conduce to the most efficient management of Tech athletics. Some radical action was imperative if the standing of athletics at the Institute was not to be seriously impaired.

The change proposed last Friday is a good one. It has met with the unqualified approval of those best acquainted with the athletic affairs at the Institute and consequently those best fitted to judge of its merits.

It calls for the reduction in the size of the association to twenty members in order to secure interested and intelligent action on matters that may be brought before it. Five are to be elected from each class thus not changing the equal representation at present in force. The representatives thus elected will feel in duty bound to give their best attention to the affairs of the association, and with such intelligent interest the business will be administered with much greater efficiency.

If put into execution there is no doubt that the new plan will bring about beneficial results. It only remains for those having the best interest of the Institute at heart to think over the proposal carefully and act according to their best judgment at the meeting called to decide the question next Friday.

BUNCO IN BOOKS.

Selling second-hand books to Freshmen at or above the prices quoted for first-hand books is a practice that every upper classman will condemn. To take advantage of a new man in this way is on par with the practice of the bunco man. The farmer ought to know that the "Gold Brick" is not gold, the freshman ought to know the prices of books, but both are guileless.

The Sophomores are the greatest offenders in this respect as they have so many books that the Freshmen need. While it is proper for the Sophomores to treat the Freshmen as such, it is wrong to cheat on whatever pretext.

EXETER CLUB WILL DINE.

Saturday the Date and Union the Place.

At a meeting of the Exeter Club Friday noon the attendance was so small that the business in hand could not be settled. It was, however, decided to hold a dinner of the club at the Union next Saturday evening. All Exeter men in the Institue are urged to be present, as the incoming men will be initiated.

TENNIS STARTS THURSDAY.

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A meeting of all those interested in tennis will be held in 11 Rogers at 1 P. M. Tuesday, and all men thinking of entering the tournament should be present. Full particulars as to the conditions of the contest will be given then.

NEW MEN FOR 1910.

Football Men Showing Up Fast.

New men are coming out daily for the Sophomore Football Team and the squad now numbers about twenty. Easy practice has been the rule and on Wednesday there was no scrimmage at all, owing to the absence of the coach.

Hart, who was a substitute last year, has come out again and has been tried at one of the halves. Ruckmann has been called back and is also being tried behind the line. The other candidates for the backfield are Saul, Jenckes, Dunlap and Darrow. Billings retains his old position at quarter. Rietchland, a new candidate, has also come out and is being tried at center.

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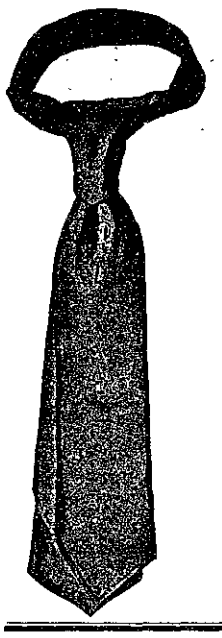

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French IIIa, Mon. 9-10. Mr. deChamberay, 23L

French IIIb, Thurs. 11-12. Mr. Erhardt, 25L.

Spanish 3rd yr. Option, Mon. 9-10; Thur. 4-5. Prof. Bigelow, 31L.

Spanish Ia, Mon. 9-10; Thur. 4-5. Mr. Erhardt, 25L.

Spanish Ib, Mon. 4-5; Wed. 4-5. Mr. Erhardt, 25L.

Spanish Ic. Mon. 2-3; Wed. 3-4. Mr. Erhardt, 25L.

Spanish IIa, Thur. 10-11; Sat. 11-12. Mr. Erhardt, 25L.

Spanish IIb, Tues. 4-5; Fri. 4-5. Mr. Erhardt, 25L.

Students wishing to join section IIIb in French should see Prof. Bigelow. C. A. Kellogg and H. Schaffer will recite in this section.

The following students will recite in the new section, Spanish Ic: J. Avery, Jr., J. Babcock, C. A. Dunkel, W. B. Gonder, L. W. Greely, H. Schaffer, W. S. Woods.

GERMAN AND ITALIAN:—Recitations in the following subjects will be held as indicated:

German colloquium a. Mon. 9-10; Tues. 3-4; Fri. 4-5. Prof. Vogel, 24L.

German colloquium b, Wed. 4-5; Fri. 3-4; Sat. 10-11. Prof. Vogel, 24L.

German IIa, Mon. 4-5; Wed. 4-5; Fri. 4-5. Mr. Rabe.

German III, Tues. 4-5. Prof. Vogel, 24L.

Italian, Tues. 4-5; Thur. 4-5. Mr. deChamberay, 23L.

LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT; consultation hours: Following are the consultation and recitation hours of Prof. Bigelow and Prof. Vogel. Either may be seen before and after recitations as well as during consultation hours.

Prof. Bigelow:—Recitations: Mon. 9-10; 4-5; Wed. 4-5; Thur. 4-5; Fri. 4-5. Consultations: Mon. 10-11; Wed. 3-4; Thur. 3-4; Sat. 12-1.

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LECTURE.—A course of lectures on "The Constitution of Matter in the Light of Recent Discovery," will be given by Dr. Comstock, at 4.15 on Thursday afternoons, beginning Oct. 17, in 23 Walker. The course will be open to third year, fourth year, and graduate students as well as to members of the Instructing Staff.

It is intended to give a fairly comprehensive account of the present state of knowledge respecting the structure of matter and its connection with the closely related problem of the nature of electricity.

ELECTRICALS MEET.

Addresses by Professors Dugald C. Jackson and Harrison W. Smith.

The Electrical Engineering Society opened its year with a large and enthusiastic meeting at the Union last Friday evening. Professor Jackson was the first speaker of the evening. He endorsed the aims of the society, and urged the men to attend its meetings and become mutually acquainted. He next spoke of the attitude the men ought to assume toward any speaker whom they might hear at any time, suggesting that they should consider him with regard to his own specialty and to how he had attained his prominence.

Professor Harrison W. Smith spoke to the men of the value of a knowledge of human nature. On a recent trip abroad he met a prominent graduate now located in London, who remarked upon the necessity of Tech men getting into society and knowing men. He closed his talk with an invitation to every student to call on him whenever he was able to do so.

During the business meeting a committee was appointed to make changes in the club shingle, and a resolution was passed to admit Juniors to membership upon their paying the dues and signing the constitution. Meetings are to be held upon the first Monday of every month until further notice.

CIVILS CHALLENGE MECHANICS.

Want Football Game Between Seniors.

The Seniors of Course I issue a challenge to the Seniors of Course II for a football game, to be played under the old rules some time before Field Day.

PROF. WENDELL AT STEVENS.

Gets Work Started. Has New Slides for Lectures.

Professor G. V. Wendell has his work in the Stevens Institute Physical Department well started. The department has purchased a Thompson automatic lamp for the projection lantern and 375 slides have been made especially for Dr. Wendell's lectures.

INSTRUCTOR'S SON DIES.

Mr. Burrison Lost His Son Last Friday.

The eldest son of Henry K. Burrison, instructor in mechanical drawing and geometry, died suddenly, Friday morning, at the Carney Hospital, South Boston. The funeral will be at 2.30 P. M. Monday, at the Baptist Church, West Newton.

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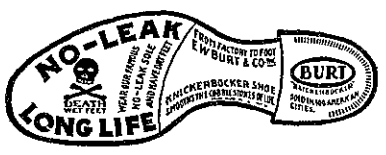

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5.10 P. M. Cross country men who cannot reach the Field meet at the Gym.

NOTICES.

TENNIS.—All men interested in tennis meet Tuesday at 1 P. M in 11 Rogers.

Missouri Men.—The Missouri Club will hold a meeting Wednesday at 1 P. M. Every man who has ever resided in Missouri is requested to be present.

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